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**ABSTRACT**

A bibliography of some 500 books about Afro-Americans, Africa, and the West Indies is presented, with a brief annotation on each item. The list includes picture books and easy reading, fiction, history and geography, biography, folklore, poetry, art, and music. An index to titles is appended. (LS)

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## PICTURE BOOKS AND EASY READING

Adoff, Arnold. **BLACK IS BROWN IS TAN.** Harper, 1973.

Every day events in the life of a happy, affectionate bi-racial family.

Adoff, Arnold. **MANDALA.** Harper, 1971.

A series of one-syllable symbols, arranged in a poetic sequence, accompany colorful water-color pictures which depict a little boy and his parents in various daily activities in their village.

Alexander, Martha. **BOBO'S DREAM.** Dial, 1970.

After a small boy retrieves his dachshund's bone from a big, shaggy dog, the dachshund dreams he is a large dog who recovers a football for his small boy from a team of big boys. A wordless picture story.

Alexander, Martha. **SABRINA.** Dial, 1971.

On the first day of school Sabrina is dismayed about her unusual name and decides to give it up. When the other children quarrel over who shall have it instead, she changes her mind.

Bank Street College of Education, New York. **AROUND THE CITY.** Macmillan, 1965.

In this attractive reader city children are depicted in school, apartment houses, the park, on the street--in all sorts of activities.

Bank Street College of Education, New York. **BANK STREET UNIT READERS.** Macmillan, 1967, 1968, 1969.

A series of beginning readers with stories showing city children in multi-ethnic situations. Attractive illustrations.

Bank Street College of Education, New York. **UPTOWN, DOWNTOWN.** Macmillan, 1965.

A colorfully illustrated reader with stories that center around activities of children in a city.

Beim, Lorraine and Jerrold. TWO IS A TEAM. Harcourt, 1945.

Ted and Paul cooperate in the salvaging of two smashed coasters in order to build the wagon they need to earn money by delivering groceries.

Belpre, Pura. SANTIAGO. Warne, 1969.

Santiago finally convinces his doubting classmate, Ernie, that in Puerto Rico he had had a beautiful pet hen named Serina.

Blue, Rose. HOW MANY BLOCKS IS THE WORLD? Watts, 1970.

Brian thought the world was only three blocks long, until he went to Headstart.

Bonsall, Crosby. CASE OF THE CAT'S MEOW. Harper, 1965.

Tubby, Skinny and Wizard solve the mystery of Snitch's missing cat.

Bonsall, Crosby. CASE OF THE DUMB BELLS. Harper, 1966.

When Skinny hooks up three old telephone sets to some wires in his cellar, trouble follows and four young amateur detectives are in hot water, until the mystery of the ringing door bells is solved.

Bonsall, Crosby. CASE OF THE HUNGRY STRANGER. Harper, 1963.

The four boys are commissioned by Mrs. Meech to discover who has stolen her blueberry pie.

Bonsall, Crosby. MINE'S THE BEST. Harper, 1973.

Highly amusing story of two little boys at the beach arguing as to whose huge, fish-shaped balloon is the better.

Buckley, Peter. FIVE FRIENDS AT SCHOOL. Holt, 1966.

Photographs and easy text. Setting is an urban school for a story involving a class trip and project.

Buckley, Peter, WILLIAM, ANDY, AND RAMON. Holt, 1966.

Photographs, with brief, easy text, showing children and their families in an urban setting.

Buckley, Peter and Jones, Hortense. LIVING AS NEIGHBORS. Holt, 1966.

Two families help each other solve the problems brought about by urban redevelopment in their neighborhood.

Burch, Robert. JOEY'S CAT. Viking, 1969.

Joey finally persuaded his mother to allow his cat and her kittens to stay in the house after they were threatened by a raccoon in the barn.

Caines, J.F. ABBY. Harper, 1973.

A happy family situation centered around Abby, an adopted child.

Chenery, Janet. WOLFIE. Harper, 1969.

Harry and George try to exclude Harry's little sister, Polly, from any association with their pet spider, Wolfie.

Clifton, Lucille. BOY WHO DIDN'T BELIEVE IN SPRING. Dutton, 1973.

King Shabazz, sporting huge "shades", and his friend, Tony Polito, go looking for signs of spring.

Clifton, Lucille. DON'T YOU REMEMBER. Dutton, 1973.

Strong family relationships are evident in a story about four-year-old Tate who thought she was the only one who ever remembered anything.

Clifton, Lucille. EVERETT ANDERSON'S CHRISTMAS COMING. Holt, 1971.

High up in apartment 14A, where he lives, Everett Anderson anticipates the joyous coming of Christmas.

Clifton, Lucille. SOME OF THE DAYS OF EVERETT ANDERSON. Holt, 1970.

In a brief rhyme for each day of the week the activities of a six-year-old boy are presented.

Cohen, Miriam. BEST FRIENDS. Macmillan, 1971.

Paul and Jim rescue their classroom's half-hatched eggs when the incubator light goes out.

Cohen, Miriam. NEW TEACHER. Macmillan, 1972.

The first grade gets used to the new teacher in an easy-to-read story with a pleasant school setting.

Cohen, Miriam. WILL I HAVE A FRIEND? Macmillan, 1967.

A little boy, on the way to his first day at nursery school, wonders if he will have a friend when he gets there.

Fife, Dale. ADAM'S ABC. Coward, 1971.

From A to Z crayon drawings depict Adam, his family and friends in the various activities of the day.

Freeman, Don. CORDUROY. Viking, 1968.

A little girl falls in love with a teddy bear dressed in corduroy overalls with a missing button, and uses her piggy-bank savings to buy him.

Green, Phyllis. FASTEST QUITTER IN TOWN. Young Scott, 1972.

Johnny's love for, and desire to help his aging great-grandfather find a lost ring aid him in overcoming his tendency to quit every time something goes wrong.

Greenberg, Polly. OH LORD, I WISH I WAS A BUZZARD. Macmillan, 1968.

A little girl tells about the long, tiresome, hot work of picking cotton, wishing instead she were one of several creatures she sees as she works.

Greenfield, Eloise. BUBBLES. Drum and Spear Press, 1972.

James Edwards bubbles with the joy of accomplishment when he learns to read.

Grifalconi, Ann. CITY RHYTHMS. Bobbs, 1965.

Jimmy Peters discovers how the many different sounds in the city have a beat of their own. He soon has all the children following his strong rhythms.

Hautzig, Esther. IN THE PARK: AN EXCURSION IN FOUR LANGUAGES. Macmillan, 1968.

Children of various ethnic backgrounds are depicted in the activities of big city parks. Key words appear in English, French, Spanish and Russian.

Keats, E.J. GOGGLES! Macmillan, 1969.

Peter and Archie, with the help of Willie, outwit the big boys who try to take the motorcycle goggles they have found in the vacant lot.

Keats, E.J. HI, CAT! Macmillan, 1970.

A kitten breaks up the performance of a show that Archie and Peter have devised to entertain the children on the block.

Keats, E.J. LETTER TO AMY. Harper, 1968.

Peter's surprise invitation for Amy to his birthday party nearly blows away when he takes it to the mailbox.

Keats, E.J. PETER'S CHAIR. Viking, 1967.

A new baby in the family really upset things for Peter when she slept in his old crib, painted pink, and was to have his chair, too.

Keats, E.J. PET SHOW! Macmillan, 1972.

When Archie couldn't locate the cat, he won a blue ribbon, instead, for the quietest pet in the show--a germ named Al, safely contained in a glass jar.

Keats, E.J. SNOWY DAY. Viking, 1962.

The joys of a small boy playing in new-fallen snow are colorfully depicted in charming collage pictures.

Keats, E.J. WHISTLE FOR WILLIE. Viking, 1964.

Peter was determined to learn to whistle for his dog. He tried all sorts of ways and finally a real whistle came.

Kessler, L.P. HERE COMES THE STRIKEOUT. Harper, 1965.

Bobby's friend Willie shows him that the only way to learn to bat a ball is to practice hard every day.

Kessler, L.P. LAST ONE IN IS A ROTTEN EGG. Harper, 1969.

After Freddy has been pushed into the deep end of the pool, the lifeguard teaches him to dive and swim.

King, H.H. WILLY. Doubleday, 1971.

A young boy is determined to catch the rat he has named Willy that has been causing havoc in his family's apartment.

Lawrence, James. BINKY BROTHERS AND THE FEARLESS FOUR. Harper, 1970.

In a case complicated by a pair of twins, the boys find the solution to the mystery of the wrecked snow fort.

Lawrence, James. BINKY BROTHERS, DETECTIVES. Harper, 1968.

Two brothers set out to solve the case of the missing catcher's mitt.

Lexau, J.M. HOMEWORK CAPER. Harper, 1966.

Bill and his best friend Ken investigate the mystery of the missing arithmetic homework paper.

Lexau, J.M. I SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED. Harper, 1965.

Everything goes wrong for Sam the day he awakens late.

Lexau, J.M. ROOFTOP MYSTERY. Harper, 1968.

A little detective work is needed by Sam and Albert when Amy Lou's big doll disappears.



Lipkind, William. **FOUR-LEAF CLOVER.** Harcourt, 1959.

Having decided to hunt for a four-leaf clover to bring luck to their summer vacation, Mark and Peter are catapulted from one hazardous adventure to another.

Mannheim, Grete. **TWO FRIENDS.** Knopf, 1968.

Two days in the life of kindergarten-age Jenny as she experiences her first day of school, makes friends with Nancy, helps her mother get dinner ready, visits Nancy's home and goes to the library.

Martin, P.M. **LITTLE BROWN HEN.** Crowell, 1960.

When Willie's little brown hen disappeared two days before his mother's birthday, he had no present for her. An easy-to-read family story.

Mendoza, George. **AND I MUST HURRY FOR THE SEA IS COMING IN...** Prentice, 1969.

A city child playing with his toy boat in a gutter stream imagines himself as captain of a beautiful yacht. Illustrated with color photographs.

Merriam, Eve. **PROJECT 1-2-3.** McGraw, 1971.

A counting book featuring life and activities in a city housing project with multi-ethnic inhabitants and workers.

Molarsky, Osmond. **WHERE THE GOOD LUCK WAS.** Walck, 1970.

An amusing story of three friends whose good intentions toward a fourth member of their group backfired when Arnold decided he liked his old wooden crutches better than their gift of some shiny aluminum ones.

Monjo, F.N. **DRINKING GOURD.** Harper, 1970.

Tommy plays an important role in helping the slave family he has discovered hidden in the hayloft get to the next station on the underground railroad.

Moremen, G.E. **NO, NO NATALIE.** Children's Press, 1973.

A pet rabbit named Natalie delights the children of a nursery school class.

Myers, W.M. **WHERE DOES THE DAY GO?** Parents', 1969.

A group of small children, visiting a city park with the Daddy of one of them, tries to explain where the day goes.

Parish, Peggy. **PLAY BALL, AMELIA BEDELIA.** Harper, 1972.

When Donny breaks out with measles, Amelia Bedelia rescues the Grizzlies baseball team in their game against the Tornados.



Reit, Seymour. **ROUND THINGS EVERYWHERE.** McGraw, 1969.

"Round" objects familiar to a city child are seen through the eyes of a small boy. The attractive color photographs show a bicycle wheel, hydrant, manhole lid, traffic lights, etc.

Rosenbaum, Eileen. **RONNIE.** Parents', 1969.

The thoughts and feelings of a little boy are expressed in an easy-to-read text and photographs showing Ronnie at home with his mother, father and sister and on an outing--Dad's Saturday surprise.

Rowe, J.A. **CITY WORKERS.** Watts, 1969.

Text and photographs describe the duties of various community helpers in a big city.

Rowe, J.A. **TRIP THROUGH A SCHOOL.** Watts, 1969.

A city school and its activities are explored. Illustrated with black-and-white photographs.

Scott, A.H. **BIG COWBOY WESTERN.** Lothrop, 1965.

Martin's joy in his birthday present of a cowboy suit and two silver pistols is dampened by his lack of a horse. Mr. Arrico, the vegetable man, solves the problem by asking him to watch his horse each morning.

Scott, A.H. **SAM.** McGraw, 1967.

Sam has a hard time finding someone in his busy family to play with him.

Selsam, M.E. **TONY'S BIRDS.** Harper, 1961.

Tony's father shows him how to use field glasses and identify birds by using a field guide.

Sherman, Nancy. **MISS AGATHA'S LARK.** Bobbs, 1968.

Enlisting the children's aid, bird-loving Miss Agatha provides protection for a horned lark's nest in danger from the jaws of a steamshovel.

Showers, Paul. **LOOK AT YOUR EYES.** Crowell, 1962.

Basic information about the eyes is explained by a black boy in an easy-to-read narrative style.

Showers, Paul. **YOUR SKIN AND MINE.** Crowell, 1965.

Explains basic facts about skin, including color differences.

Sonneborn, R.A. **FRIDAY NIGHT IS PAPA NIGHT.** Viking, 1970.

Friday night was exciting to Pedro because Papa always came home for the weekend.

Sonneborn, R.A. I LOVE GRAM. Viking, 1971.

A family story emphasizing Ellie's love for her grandmother.

Step toe, John. STEVIE. Harper, 1969.

Robert thinks little Stevie, whom his mother cares for during the week, is a great nuisance.

Step toe, John. TRAIN RIDE. Harper, 1971.

Four young boys from Brooklyn, having explored the sights of Times Square and 42nd Street, are faced with the problem of getting home again. Vivid paintings enhance the lively adventure.

Step toe, John. UPTOWN. Harper, 1970.

Two boys, walking through their Harlem neighborhood, discuss what they might be when they grow up.

Taylor, Sidney. DOG WHO CAME TO DINNER. Follett, 1966.

An amusing story about two families and a big, friendly dog.

Tresselt, Alvin. IT'S TIME NOW! Lothrop, 1969.

Here is the city, with its people, as it appears throughout the four seasons.

Udry, Janice. MARY JO'S GRANDMOTHER. Whitman, 1970.

Mary Jo becomes a real heroine when she plows through heavy snow to find help for her grandmother who has fallen and hurt her leg.

Udry, Janice. WHAT MARY JOE SHARED. Whitman, 1966.

At "Show and Tell" Mary Jo shares her father with the rest of the class.

Udry, J.M. WHAT MARY JO WANTED. Whitman, 1968.

Mary Jo begs her parents for a puppy, promising to take care of it herself.

Van Leeuwen, Jean. TIMOTHY'S FLOWER. Random, 1967.

A little boy in the city has trouble finding a suitable place for his flower to grow.

Welber, Robert. THE TRAIN. Pantheon, 1972.

To see the train which fascinated her so much, Elizabeth finally overcame her fear of crossing a large field of tall grass by herself.

Yezback, S.A. PUMPKINSEEDS. Bobbs, 1969.

David buys a bag of pumpkin seeds with the nickel he earns "for being a good helper" and shares them with some delighted pigeons.

STORIES

Agle, N.H. JOE BEAN. Seabury, 1967.

A poor city boy, whose love of horses had gotten him into trouble, goes to live on his probation officer's farm where he forms a strong friendship with Mr. Tipper's son, Monk.

Agle, N.H. MAPLE STREET. Seabury, 1970.

The Gage's and the other black families on Maple Street join in helping the white Coles family when Mrs. Coles becomes ill.

Baker, Charlotte. COCKLEBURR QUARTERS. Prentice, 1972.

The story of a neighborhood and a family and of how a boy named Dolph learned about responsibility when he took on the care of a half-blind, crippled dog and her eight puppies.

Baum, Betty. PATRICIA CROSSES TOWN. Knopf, 1965.

Patricia is among the first children to be bussed across the city to integrate an all-white school.

Blue, Rose. QUIET PLACE. Watts, 1969.

Matthew must search for a new quiet place to read when the neighborhood library closes.

Bontemps, Arna. MR. KELSO'S LION. Lippincott, 1970.

Percy and his Grandpa show how persistence and determination can bring about community action.

Brown, Virginia and others. WHO CARES. (Skyline Series, Book C) McGraw, 1965.

Five realistic short stories in which children are faced with a social problem.

Burchardt, Nellie. PROJECT CAT. Watts, 1966.

Betsy and her friends in the City Housing Project petition the mayor and City Council to change the no-pets-allowed rule so that they may keep the cat they have found.

Carlson, N.S. ANN AURELIA AND DOROTHY. Harper, 1968.

Two best friends get into many scrapes together.

Carlson, N.S. EMPTY SCHOOLHOUSE. Harper, 1965.

Emma, herself a drop-out, tells of the violence which occurred when her younger sister Iullah went to the newly integrated parochial school.

Carlson, N.S. MARCHERS FOR THE DREAM. Harper, 1969.

Eleven-year-old Bethany and her grandmother go to Washington to participate in the experience at Resurrection City.

Caudill, Rebecca. CERTAIN SMALL SHEPHERD. Holt, 1965.

In a southern mountain community a father and his six-year-old mute son give aid to a black couple seeking shelter during a severe storm.

Clifton, Lucille. ALL US COME CROSS THE WATER. Holt, 1973.

Ujamaa explores his ancestry. John Steptoe's bold paintings accompany a text which uses Oral English.

Coles, Robert. DEAD END SCHOOL. Little, 1968.

A group of parents and children protest the transfer of a class to another run-down, but less crowded, school.

Curry, J.L. THE DAYBREAKERS. Harcourt, 1970.

A small, blue-green stone transports Harry and Callie Rivers, along with some of their classmates, into another time and place.

De Angeli, Marguerite. BRIGHT APRIL. Doubleday, 1946.

April, an enthusiastic Brownie Scout, meets and overcomes prejudice.

Desbarats, Peter. GABRIELLE AND SELENA. Harcourt, 1968.

Two eight-year-old girls, one white and one black, who are best friends decide to exchange places--with amusing results.

Du Bois, W.P. THREE POLICEMEN. Viking, 1960.

A nonsense tale about young Bottsford, a black boy whose job it was to take care of the bicycles belonging to the three policemen, and how he became the first emperor of Farbe Island.

Erwin, Betty. BEHIND THE MAGIC LINE. Little, 1969.

Gentle, wise, elderly "Uncle" Samuel Dan, once a performing magician, takes under his wing Dozie's family, who are living under worsening conditions in a large city.

Faulkner, Georgene and Becker, John. MELINDY'S MEDAL. Messner, 1945.

According to her Granny's stories all the men in Melindy's family, beginning with great-grandfather, had won a medal. Melindy wished she were a boy and could win one, too.

Fife, Dale. WHAT'S NEW LINCOLN? Coward, 1970.

Enterprising, imaginative Lincoln finds himself in difficulty when he and his friends start a neighborhood newspaper.

Fife, Dale. WHAT'S THE PRIZE, LINCOLN? Coward, 1971.

A desire to furnish the secret clubhouse prompts Lincoln into entering innumerable contests. But his efforts only result in an enormous collection of "booby" prizes and a lot of innocently acquired trouble.

Fife, Dale. WHO'S IN CHARGE OF LINCOLN? Coward, 1965.

The adventures of an eight-year-old boy who takes a trip to Washington, D.C., and back without anyone knowing it.

Fox, Paula. HOW MANY MILES TO BABYLON? White, 1967.

James has a harrowing experience with three older boys who force him to help them steal dogs.

Gates, Doris. LITTLE VIC. Viking, 1951.

The story of a boy's devotion to a race horse.

Hamilton, Virginia. TIME-AGO LOST: MORE TALES OF JAHDU. Macmillan, 1973.

This second collection of Mama Luka's stories is quite allegorical in nature.

Hamilton, Virginia. TIME-AGO TALES OF JAHDU. Macmillan, 1969.

Mama Luka, who takes care of Lee Edward after school, entertains the little boy with her original and colorful adventures of Jahdu.

Hamilton, Virginia. ZEELY. Macmillan, 1967.

In her daydreams Elizabeth saw the tall and graceful Miss Zeely Tayber as a queen. Finding a magazine photograph of a royal Watusi woman was proof to the imaginative younger girl.

Haynes, Betsy. COWSLIP. Nelson, 1973.

A compassionate portrayal of a thirteen-year-old girl, exposing the misery of slavery.

Hill, E.S. EVAN'S CORNER. Holt, 1967.

When Evan wanted a place of his own, his resourceful mother gave each child in the family a corner in their two-room flat to do with as he wished.

Horvath, B.F. JASPER MAKES MUSIC. Watts, 1967.

When Jasper told his mother he needed a guitar she laughed and said he needed shoes. Then his grandfather showed him a way to earn the necessary money.

Hunter, Kristin. BOSS CAT. Scribner, 1971.

Tyrone's daddy kept things lively in the Tanner household. When he brought home the black kitten, Mom rebelled until the spirited "Pharaoh" proved his worth.

Huston, Anne. OLLIE'S GO-KART. Seabury, 1971.

A teenage boy with considerable artistic skill gives encouragement and help to a younger child in the designing and making of a go-kart.

Konigsburg, E.L. JENNIFER, HECATE, MACBETH, WILLIAM MCKINLEY, AND ME, ELIZABETH. Atheneum, 1967.

Having announced herself to be a Master Witch, Jennifer appoints Elizabeth as her apprentice.

Krementz, Jill. SWEET PEA: A BLACK GIRL GROWING UP IN THE RURAL SOUTH. Harcourt, 1969.

Photographs illustrate this documentary story of a ten-year-old girl.

Kristof, Jane. STEALAWAY HOME. Bobbs, 1969.

Amos and Obie, two brothers who are slaves on a South Carolina plantation, escape and make their way to Philadelphia with the aid of the Underground Railroad.

Lattimore, E.F. SMILING FACE. Morrow, 1973.

A story of interracial friendship and of the eventual acceptance of a black family in a white community.

Lewis, Mary. HALLOWEEN KANGAROO. Washburn, 1964.

For Halloween Jeffrey's mother made him a splendid kangaroo suit which zipped up the back. Difficulties arose when he wore it to the school party.

Lewis, R.W. SUMMER ADVENTURE. Harper, 1962.

A quiet, simple story of a farm boy's vacation activities centered around the small animals in the woods and pond near his home.

Lexau, J.M. STRIPED ICE CREAM. Lippincott, 1968.

Becky wasn't expecting a present for her birthday, but she did hope for chicken-spaghetti and striped ice cream for supper. A family situation in an urban setting.



Mthis, S.B. SIDEWALK STORY. Viking, 1971.

Lilly Etta's great sense of justice, coupled with an unusual understanding of friendship, drives her to find a way to bring help to Tanya's family when they are evicted.

Micklish, Rita. SUGAR BEE. Delacorte, 1972.

A low-keyed, somewhat sentimental, story of interracial friendship.

Molarsky, Osmond. SONG OF THE EMPTY BOTTLES. Walck, 1968.

At the suggestion of Mr. Andrews from the Neighborhood House Thaddeus started earning money for a guitar. When his source of empty bottles and old newspapers failed, Mr. Andrews offered to buy one of Thaddeus' songs.

Murray, Michele. NELLIE CAMERON. Seabury, 1971.

One of six children in a family too busy to give her some needed attention, Nellie begins to overcome her reading problems through the help and understanding of Miss Lacey at the reading clinic.

Norris, G.B. GOOD MORROW. Atheneum, 1969.

Two girls, one black and the other white, iron out their mutual misunderstandings about each other. The setting is a summer camp in the country.

Rinkoff, Barbara. MEMBER OF THE GANG. Crown, 1968.

Woodie Jackson, tired of his parents' constant preaching at him about keeping out of trouble, joins the Scorpions. Caught after a gang fight, he accepts help from an understanding probation officer and discovers he wants more for himself than street fights.

Rose, Karen. SINGLE TRAIL. Follett, 1969.

A realistic city story of two boys whose paths cross through various school and neighborhood events.

Shotwell, L.R. ROOSEVELT GRADY. World, 1963.

Nine-year-old Roosevelt, son of migratory workers, dreams of the family finding a permanent home.

Slote, Alfred. JAKE. Lippincott, 1971.

The lively story of an enterprising Little Leaguer who managed his coachless team until Uncle Lenny, once a star college athlete, was persuaded to take over.



Snyder, Z.K. EGYPT GAME. Atheneum, 1967.

April, her best friend Melanie and Melanie's precocious four-year-old brother invent the Egypt Game in the fenced-in storage yard behind the old junk shop. An interracial group of children finds adventure and mystery.

Sorensen, Virginia. AROUND THE CORNER. Harcourt, 1971.

Junie Johnson continues to visit the Hinkle's, a lively and offbeat, but poor, white family living in a condemned house around the corner. His mother thoroughly disapproves until an emergency situation draws the two families into a close friendship.

Stolz, Mary. WONDERFUL, TERRIBLE TIME. Harper, 1967.

Two girls from New York City have an opportunity to attend a summer camp in New England, each approaching the experience with different attitudes.

Tarry, Ellen. MY DOG RINTY. Viking, 1946.

Rinty, untrained and mischievous, was a great nuisance to David.

Walter, M.P. LILLIE OF WATTS, A BIRTHDAY DISCOVERY.

Ward Ritchie, 1969.

Lillie's birthday, on which one unfortunate event after another occurs, turns out all right in the end.

Walter, M.P. LILLIE OF WATTS TAKES A GIANT STEP.

Doubleday, 1971.

Lillie faces new problems when she enters junior high school.

Weik, M.H. JAZZ MAN. Atheneum, 1966.

A nine-year-old crippled boy, left alone by his discouraged mother and jobless father, imagines visiting the jazz man across the way where he finds warmth and laughter.

Wilkes, A.W. LITTLE BOY BLACK. Scribner, 1971.

Nine-year-old Alf, growing up in the south of fifty years ago, learns how to deal with prejudices and problems.

Wriston, Hildreth. SUSAN'S SECRET. Farrar, 1957.

While her parents are away Susan discovers the fugitive slaves hidden in the room over the kitchen and takes them to the next stop on the Underground Railroad.

FICTION FOR OLDER BOYS AND GIRLS

Armstrong, W.H. **SOUNDER**. Harper, 1969.

A boy travels fruitlessly from one prison camp to another searching for his father who has been sentenced to a chain gang for stealing a ham to feed his hungry family. Set in the Depression years.

Baker, Betty. **WALK THE WORLD'S RIM**. Harper, 1965.

The hero is the black slave Esteban in this story of the search by Cabeza de Vaca for the gold of Cibola in the 16th century.

Barrett, W.E. **LILIES OF THE FIELD**. Doubleday, 1962.

Homer Smith never regretted the impulse that led him to turn his station wagon down the lane to the community in the Rocky Mountains where a group of displaced nuns from East Germany was struggling to make a living from a run-down farm.

Bartusis, Constance. **SHADES OF DIFFERENCE**. St. Martin's, 1968.

Two youths, one white and one black, through their association at a Youth Center in a black neighborhood develop a friendship and a mutual respect for each other's way of life.

Beyer, A.W. **DARK VENTURE**. Knopf, 1968.

An African chief's son, captured and put on a slave ship bound for the West Indies, is befriended by a young doctor who ultimately takes him to New England.

Bonham, Frank. **COOL CAT**. Dutton, 1971.

Cool Cat is new in Dogtown. When Buddy and his friends set out to make some money doing odd jobs with their old pick-up truck, Blue Eyes Infante and the Machete gang attempt to sabotage the business.

Bonham, Frank. **DURANGO STREET**. Dutton, 1965.

Rufus Henry knew that to survive in the Durango Street housing project he needed the protection of a gang, even though the parole officer had warned him against joining one.

Bonham, Frank. **HEY, BIG SPENDER!** Dutton, 1972.

An action-filled, further adventure of the friends in Dogtown as they come up against Breathing Man and his tempting schemes for making money.

Bonham, Frank. **MYSTERY OF THE FAT CAT.** Dutton, 1963.

A humorous mystery in which four boys try to save their Boys Club.

Bonham, Frank. **NITTY GRITTY.** Dutton, 1968.

When Charlie Matthews was deceived by the uncle whose adventurous life had always appealed to him, he decided to finish his education as his English teacher had urged even though his parents seemed only to care about the money he could earn.

Bontemps, Arna. **LONESOME BOY.** Houghton, 1955.

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Lawrence, Paul & others. NEGRO AMERICAN HERITAGE. Century, 1968. Gr. 5+.

Arranged by certain fields of endeavor this tells of blacks who have made real contributions in their chosen work.

Lewis, Claude. BENJAMIN BANNEKER: THE MAN WHO SAVED WASHINGTON. McGraw, 1970. Gr. 6-7.

He redrew L'Enfant's plans for the city of Washington from memory and notes. Throughout his life he wrote constantly against slavery and the wrongness of the view that blacks were inferior.

Lipman, David & Wilks, Ed. SPEED KING; BOB HAYES OF THE DALLAS COWBOYS. Putnam, 1971. Gr. 6+.

He set the world's fastest record in track, was star of the U.S. team in the 1964 Olympic games and succeeded as a professional football player.

Liss, Howard. **MAKING OF A ROOKIE.** Random, 1968. Gr. 5+.  
The rookie years of four professional football players, including Gale Sayers, Bubba Smith and Paul Warfield.

Longworth, Polly. **I, CHARLOTTE FORTEN, BLACK AND FREE.** Crowell, 1970. Gr. 7-8.

Based on her journal. Because of her position in a prominent, well-educated and well-to-do black family Charlotte Forten met many people involved in both the abolitionist and women's rights movements, as well as a number of escaped slaves. The stories of these people are retold, forming a substantial part of the book.

McGovern, Ann. **RUNAWAY SLAVE; THE STORY OF HARRIET TUBMAN.** Scholastic, 1965. Gr. 3-4.

Illustrated with blue crayon drawings, this is effectively and simply told.

A longer biography for older children is **FREEDOM TRAIN; THE STORY OF HARRIET TUBMAN** by Dorothy Sterling, Doubleday, 1954, Gr. 5-8.

McKee, D.M. **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.** Putnam, 1969. Gr. 7+.

Concentrates on Dr. King's activities as head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and includes many quotations from his speeches, writings and conversations.

Malone, Mary. **ACTOR IN EXILE: THE LIFE OF IRA ALDRIDGE.** Macmillan, 1969. Gr. 6-8.

An interesting biography of a man who, as a Shakespearean actor in England and on the Continent, made a lasting impression in the history of the theater during the first half of the 19th century.

Mathis, S.B. **RAY CHARLES.** Crowell, 1973. Gr. 3-4.

Covers the highlights of the popular singer's childhood, youth and career.

Meltzer, Milton. **LANGSTON HUGHES; A BIOGRAPHY.** Crowell, 1968. Gr. 8+.

A knowledgeable portrayal of this prolific writer who traveled and lived all over the world.

Meltzer, Milton. **THADDEUS STEVENS AND THE FIGHT FOR NEGRO RIGHTS.** Crowell, 1967. Gr. 8+.

The story of a controversial figure in American politics who was leader of the Radical Republican Party in Congress in 1849-53 and 1858-68 and a life-long fighter for civil rights.



Meltzer, Milton. TONGUE OF FLAME. THE LIFE OF LYDIA MARIA CHILD. Crowell, 1965. Gr. 6-8.

Reformer, propagandist and pamphleteer, this indomitable journalist was editor of the "National Anti-Slavery Standard". Conveys as well the political and intellectual furor of New York and New England before and during the Civil War.

Meriwether, Louise. FREEDOM SHIP OF ROBERT SMALLS. Prentice, 1971. Gr. 4+.

Attractive and colorfully illustrated. This is a simple, short biography which will appeal to both young and older readers.

Moore, Carman. SOMEBODY'S ANGEL CHILD; THE STORY OF BESSIE SMITH. Crowell, 1969. Gr. 7-8.

A forthright life of the blues singer who began her career at the age of eight.

Murray, Joan. THE NEWS. McGraw, 1968. Gr. 7-8.

A popular young television newscaster describes her job and its daily activities.

Newman, S.P. MARIAN ANDERSON, LADY FROM PHILADELPHIA. Westminster, 1966. Gr. 5-8.

A readable account which may be enjoyed by children not yet ready for Miss Anderson's autobiography.

Orrmont, Arthur. FIGHTER AGAINST SLAVERY: JEHUDI ASHMUN. Messner, 1966. Gr. 6+.

He was not able to find any purpose to his life until he lit upon the cause of establishing colonies in Africa for oppressed blacks.

Owens, Jesse. JESSE OWENS STORY. Putnam, 1970. Gr. 5+

The great Olympic track star tells the story of his athletic success and reveals some of his philosophy of life.

Peare, C.O. MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE. Vanguard, 1951. Gr. 7-8.

The author traces Mrs. Bethune's career from her childhood on a small cotton farm in South Carolina, through her struggles to gain an education, her years as a teacher and founder of a college to her becoming an advisor to presidents and consultant to the first United Nations conference.

Petry, Ann. HARRIET TUBMAN; CONDUCTOR ON THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD. Crowell, 1955. Gr. 7+.

She helped more than 300 of her people escape from slavery. Each chapter also includes important social and political events which took place at the various stages of her life.

Pitrone, J.M. **TRAILBLAZER: NEGRO NURSE IN THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.** Harcourt, 1969. Gr. 7+.

Frannie Elliott, a graduate of Knoxville College and Freedmen's Nursing School, became the first of her race to be enrolled officially in the Red Cross Nursing Service.

Place, M.T. **MOUNTAIN MAN; THE LIFE OF JIM BECKWORTH.** Crowell-Collier, 1970. Gr. 6-8.

The frontier adventures of a "mountain man" who received the title of Chief of the Crow Nation, following his close association with that tribe.

Preston, Edward. **MARTIN LUTHER KING: FIGHTER FOR FREEDOM.** Doubleday, 1968. Gr. 5-8.

Emphasis is on Dr. King's achievements in the civil rights movement.

Radford, R.L. **MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE** Putnam, 1973. Gr. 2-3.

Numerous pen-and-ink sketches help to make this easy biography attractive to very young readers.

Reasons, George. **THEY HAD A DREAM.** New American Library, 1969. Gr. 5-8.

Mini portraits of black Americans who have contributed to the improvement of conditions for their people.

Richardson, Ben. **GREAT AMERICAN NEGROES.** Crowell, 1956. Gr. 6+.

Brief information arranged under broad headings such as Music, Sports, Art, Civic Leadership.

Robinson, Jackie and Duckett, Alfred. **BREAKTHROUGH TO THE BIG LEAGUE; THE STORY OF JACKIE ROBINSON.** Harper, 1965. Gr. 5+.

He was the first black baseball player to become a member of a major league team.

Another title is **JACKIE ROBINSON** by Kenneth Rudeen, Crowell, 1971, Gr. 2-4.

Rollins, Charlemae. **BLACK TROUBADOUR: LANGSTON HUGHES.** Rand, 1970. Gr. 5+.

Through his poetry we find the richest vein of Hughes' genius. A sensitive interpretation of his life.

Rollins, Charlemae. **FAMOUS AMERICAN NEGRO POETS.** Dodd, 1965. Gr. 5+.

Introduces twelve poets to children.



Rollins, Charlemae. FAMOUS NEGRO ENTERTAINERS OF STAGE, SCREEN, AND TV. Dodd, 1967. Gr. 5+.

Includes, among others, Marian Anderson, Louis Armstrong, Harry Belafonte, Nat "King" Cole, Sammy Davis, Jr., Duke Ellington, Sidney Poitier.

Rollins, Charlemae. THEY SHOWED THE WAY; FORTY AMERICAN NEGRO LEADERS. Crowell, 1964. Gr. 5-8.

People important to black heritage, from the Revolutionary era to the early sixties.

Rowe, J.A. ALBUM OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Watts, 1970. Gr. 5+.

A collection of photographs showing events in the life of Martin Luther King, with brief text and explanatory captions.

Rudeen, Kenneth. WILT CHAMBERLAIN. Crowell, 1970. Gr. 2-4.

The highlights in the life of a great basketball player, for young readers.

Sabin, Lou and Sandler, Dave. STARS OF PRO BASKETBALL. Random, 1970. Gr. 5-8.

Brief stories of nine players--for the sports fans.

Sagarin, Mary. JOHN BROWN RUSSWURM; THE STORY OF FREEDOM'S JOURNAL, FREEDOM'S JOURNEY. Lothrop, 1970. Gr. 7-8.

A classmate of Longfellow and Hawthorne at Bowdoin College, graduating in 1826, he became editor of "Freedom's Journal" and, later, governor of Liberia.

Scott, J.A. FANNY KEMBLE'S AMERICA. Crowell, 1973. Gr. 6-8.

This account of the life of the renown 19th century English actress places its emphasis on her years in America and her anti-slavery beliefs and efforts.

Another biography is FANNY KEMBLE by Robert Rushmore, Crowell-Collier, 1970, Gr. 7-8.

Silverman, Al. SPORTS TITANS OF THE 20TH CENTURY. Putnam, 1968. Gr. 5+.

Jim Brown, Jesse Owens and Willie Mays are included in this collection of famous sports figures.

Sterling, Dorothy. CAPTAIN OF THE PLANTER: THE STORY OF ROBERT SMALLS. Doubleday, 1958. Gr. 7-8.

Born a slave in South Carolina, he became famous when he seized the Confederate steamer "Planter" of which he was the pilot, and delivered it to the Union forces.

Sterling, Dorothy and Quarles, Benjamin. LIFT EVERY VOICE. Doubleday, 1965. Gr. 6-8.

Vignettes of Booker T. Washington, W.E.B. DuBois, Mary Church Terrell and James Weldon Johnson.

Sterne, E.G. I HAVE A DREAM. Knopf, 1965. Gr. 7-8.

Short accounts of the backgrounds and accomplishments of nine people who worked for equal rights.

Stevenson, Janet. SPOKESMAN FOR FREEDOM: THE LIFE OF ARCHIBALD GRIMKE. Crowell-Collier, 1969. Gr. 6-8.

He was graduated from Harvard Law School and eventually became chairman of the Washington, D.C., chapter of the NAACP.

Stratton, M.R. NEGROES WHO HELPED BUILD AMERICA. Ginn, 1965. Gr. 5-7.

The accomplishments, briefly related, of fourteen people, grouped in seven fields of endeavor.

Sullivan, George. WILLIE MAYS. Putnam, 1973. Gr. 2-3.

Up-to-date information about this record-setting baseball star, for the beginning reader.

Tarry, Ellen. YOUNG JIM: THE EARLY YEARS OF JAMES WELDON JOHNSON. Dodd, 1967. Gr. 6+.

An interesting picture of a gifted young man who made his way against great odds.

Terkel, Studs. GIANTS OF JAZZ. Crowell, 1959. Gr. 5-8.

Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong and Dizzie Gillespie are some of the "giants" included.

Turk, Midge. GORDON PARKS. Crowell, 1971. Gr. 5-8.

Brings to fore, in brief, the many talents of a man who is at once photographer, novelist, motion picture producer-director and musician.

Washington, B.T. UP FROM SLAVERY; AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY. Doubleday, 1933. Gr. 8+.

An adult classic which older boys and girls may enjoy.

White, A.T. GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER; THE STORY OF A GREAT AMERICAN. Random, 1953. Gr. 6-7.

Based on the adult biography by Rackham Holt.

Yates, Elizabeth. AMOS FORTUNE, FREE MAN. Dutton, 1950. Grade 6+.

The heroic story of a slave who was once an African prince. As a free man he lived in New Hampshire.

Young, A.S. BLACK CHAMPIONS OF THE GRIDIRONS: O.J. SIMPSON AND LEROY KEYES. Harcourt, 1969. Gr. 6-8.

Describes the careers of two prominent football stars.

Young, A.S. METS FROM MOBILE; CLEON JONES AND TOMMIE  
AGEE. Harcourt, 1970. Gr. 6+.

The careers of the two baseball superstars who helped  
their team win the World Series.

Young, M.B. PICTURE LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Watts,  
1968. Gr. 2+.

A brief, simple text accompanied by photographs.

Young, M.B. PICTURE LIFE OF RALPH J. BUNCHE. Watts, 1968.  
Gr. 2+.

Easy-to-read text with excellent photographs.

Zagoren, Ruby. VENTURE FOR FREEDOM; THE TRUE STORY OF AN  
AFRICAN YANKEE. World, 1969. Gr. 5-8.

Superhuman strength and fortitude were expended by Venture  
Smith in his efforts to buy freedom for himself, his wife  
and children. Based on his autobiography.

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## FOUR AND FAIRY TALES

Brookings, N.Y.: Columbia College, 1973. Gr. 7-8.

Originally published in the late nineteenth century, these seven volumes, found in pre-War North Carolina, have been re-edited by Mrs. Anthony J. Jernigan.

Quarles, Harold. **THERAPY'S POT OF GENSE.** Holt, 1957.

An entertaining collection of black folk tales illustrated with equally amusing black-and-white drawings.

Felton, H.W. JOE HENRY AND HIS HAMMER. Knopf, 1950. Gr. 5+.

A picturesque telling of this tall tale.

Leate, E.J. JOHN HENRY, AN AMERICAN LEGEND. Pantheon, 1965.  
Gr. 4-5.

A simple text with large, richly colorful illustrations.

Lester, Julius. KNEE-HIGH MAN AND OTHER TALES. Dial, 1972.

Gr. 3-4.

Six American black folk stories retold in simple language for easy reading and storytelling. Colorfully illustrated.

McDowell, R.E. & Lavitt, Edward, eds. THIRD WORLD VOICES FOR CHILDREN. Third Press, 1971. Gr. 2-6.

A sampler of folklore, songs and poems from black America, Africa, the West Indies and New Guinea.

POETRY AND VERSE

Adoff, Arnold, ed. **BLACK OUT LOUD; AN ANTHOLOGY OF MODERN POEMS BY BLACK AMERICANS.** Macmillan, 1970. Gr. 7+.

The poems in this collection represent a wide variety of feelings and viewpoints on many subjects.

Adoff, Arnold, ed. **CITY IN ALL DIRECTIONS; AN ANTHOLOGY OF MODERN POEMS.** Macmillan, 1969. Gr. 7-8.

An interesting, attractively arranged and illustrated collection of short poems about cities and city life by 20th century poets, including Langston Hughes and Gwendolyn Brooks.

Adoff, Arnold, ed. **I AM THE DARKER BROTHER.** Macmillan, 1968. Gr. 8+.

A collection concerned with the black experience by modern black poets.

Bontemps, Arna. **GOLDEN SLIPPERS.** Harper, 1941. Gr. 7-8.

Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen and many other black poets are represented in this standard collection.

Bontemps, Arna, sel. by. **HOLD FAST TO DREAMS: POEMS OLD AND NEW.** Follett, 1969. Gr. 5+.

This anthology includes poems by Arna Bontemps, Gwendolyn Brooks, Countee Cullen, Paul Laurence Dunbar and J.W. Johnson, among others.

Brooks, Gwendolyn. **BRONZEVILLE BOYS AND GIRLS.** Harper, 1956. Gr. 3+.

Short poems that see life from a child's point of view.

Dunbar, P.L. **COMPLETE POEMS OF PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR.** Dodd, 1946. Gr. 6+.

A collection for adults that is useful with older boys and girls.

Dunbar, P.L. **LITTLE BROWN BABY.** Dodd, 1940. Gr. 4-7.

Twenty-five poems and a short biographical sketch of the poet. Attractive pen-and-ink illustrations.

Giovanni, Nikki. **SPIN A SOFT BLACK SONG; POEMS FOR CHILDREN.** Hill and Wang, 1971. Gr. 2-4.

Poems and drawings, arranged in a large, open-looking format, depict childhood and familiar things.

Hopkins, L.B., sel. by. I THINK I SAW A SNAIL: YOUNG POEMS FOR CITY SEASONS. Crown, 1969. Gr. 1-3.

A selection of poems for younger children, in picture book format.

Hughes, Langston. BLACK MISERY. Eriksson, 1969. Gr. 6+.

Wryly humorous captions with illustrations--a portrait of growing up black in America.

Hughes, Langston. DON'T YOU TURN BACK, sel. by Lee Bennett Hopkins. Knopf, 1969. Gr. 4-7.

Handsome woodcuts decorate this collection of forty-four of Langston Hughes' poems.

Hughes, Langston. DREAM KEEPER, AND OTHER POEMS. Knopf, 1937. Gr. 8+.

A selection of short lyrical poems expressly for young people.

Johnson, J.W. GOD'S TROMBONES; SEVEN NEGRO SERMONS IN VERSE. Viking, 1927, 1971. Gr. 7+.

An outstanding edition with stylized, full page illustrations in black and tones of gray, with the sermon titles lettered in gold.

Johnston, Johanna. SPECIAL BRAVERY. Dodd, 1967. Gr. 4+.

Brief biographical vignettes, in blank verse, about fifteen black heroes and heroines, from Crispus Attucks to Martin Luther King.

Jordan, June. WHO LOOK AT ME. Crowell, 1969. Gr. 7+.

Twenty-seven paintings showing black American life are reproduced, accompanied by a long poem as commentary.

Jordan, June and Bush, Terri, comp. VOICE OF THE CHILDREN. Holt, 1970. Gr. 7+.

Poems and prose written by a group of black and Puerto Rican young people, 12-17, who belong to New York's Voice of the Children workshop.

Lerrick, Nancy, sel. by. ON CITY STREETS, AN ANTHOLOGY OF POETRY. Evans, 1968. Gr. 4-8.

More than four hundred inner city children helped choose these poems relating to city life.

Lawrence, Jacob. HARRIET AND THE PROMISED LAND. Simon & Schuster, 1968. Gr. 4+.

Vividly colored, often grotesque, paintings augment the forceful impact of Harriet Tubman's story, told briefly in ballad style.



Murphy, B.M., ed. TODAY'S NEGRO VOICES; AN ANTHOLOGY BY YOUNG NEGRO POETS. Messner, 1970. Gr. 7+.

Thirty-three young poets are represented in this volume designed to give them "a forum and a listening audience".

Rollins, Charlemae, comp. CHRISTMAS GIF'. Follett, 1963. Gr. 5-8.

A collection, with a historical approach, especially prepared to present traditions and customs at Christmas. Includes poems, stories, spirituals, a few recipes and some reminiscences.

## ART AND MUSIC

Hughes, Langston. FIRST BOOK OF JAZZ. Watts, 1954. Gr. 7+

What jazz is, from what it derives, names associated with jazz, jazz instruments and the influence of jazz on contemporary music.

Johnson, J.W. and J.R. LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING: WORDS AND MUSIC. Hawthorn, 1970. Gr. 3+.

The words of this anthem are shown a few to a page with light black, almost gray, pictures done in thick outlines to illustrate them. An introduction gives biographical information. Appearing at the end is the music in a simple piano arrangement with guitar chords.

Landeck, Beatrice. ECHOES OF AFRICA IN FOLK SONGS OF THE AMERICAS. 2nd rev. ed. McKay, 1969. Gr. 7+.

The four parts of this contain songs of Africa, the Caribbean Islands, South and Central America and "Song Roots of Jazz in the U.S." The arrangements include rhythm patterns for drums, whistle, thumb piano, guitar, hand clap, foot stamp, cowbell and other similar instruments.

Verdi, Giuseppe. AIDA. Watts, 1970. Gr. 4+.

A handsomely illustrated, readable version of the opera story about an Ethiopian princess.

OTHERS

Archer, Elsie. LET'S FACE IT; THE GUIDE TO GOOD GROOMING FOR GIRLS OF COLOR. Rev. ed. Lippincott, 1968. Gr. 7+. Advice about health, beauty care, clothes and behavior.

Babun, Edward. VARIETIES OF MAN: AN INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN RACES. Crowell, 1969. Gr. 6-8. The author divides man into thirty-six varieties (races) as described in anthropological terms.

Cohen, Robert. COLOR OF MAN. Random, 1968. Gr. 5-8. In a clear, readable style this discusses the genetics and physiology of the color of man's skin, the effect of geography and climate on the skin and the social aspects of man's color. Illustrated with photographs.

Goldin, A.R. STRAIGHT HAIR, CURLY HAIR. Crowell, 1966. Gr. 2-4. An easy-to-read science book which explains why some hair is curly and some is straight.

Hansberry, Lorraine. RAISIN IN THE SUN. Random, 1959. Gr. 7+. The full-length prize-winning play about the problems of a South Side Chicago family.

Harrison, Deloris. WE SHALL LIVE IN PEACE: THE TEACHINGS OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Hawthorn, 1968. Gr. 4-7. A simple, effective presentation of some of Dr. King's beliefs and "dreams".

Holland, John, ed. WAY IT IS. Harcourt, 1969. Gr. 6-8. "Fifteen boys describe life in their neglected neighborhood." Illustrated with photographs taken by the boys themselves.

Howell, R.R. CRACK IN THE PAVEMENT. Atheneum, 1970. Gr. 3-6. An easy-to-read text, accompanied by black-and-white photographs, points out to the city child a variety of plants and animals he might find without looking too hard--pigeons, dandelions, ailanthus trees, ants, a plant growing out of a "crack in the pavement".

Huthmacher, J.J. NATION OF NEWCOMERS: ETHNIC MINORITIES IN AMERICAN HISTORY. Delacorte, 1969. Gr. 6+. There is a chapter concerning the Negro Americans in this book which discusses the problems and progress of the many immigrant groups in America.

Orr, Jack. BLACK ATHLETE: HIS STORY IN AMERICAN HISTORY. Lion Press, 1969. Gr. 6+.

Illustrated with photographs and arranged by sport, this tells of the accomplishments and contributions of the more prominent black athletes throughout the history of sports in America.

Taylor, Margaret, comp. DID YOU FEED MY COW? STREET GAMES, CHANTS, AND RHYMES. Rev. ed. Follett, 1969. Gr. Kind.+

A collection of material gathered on Chicago's South Side.

Uggams, Leslie with Marie Fenton. LESLIE UGGAMS BEAUTY BOOK. Prentice, 1966. Gr. 7+.

Advice from a popular entertainer to teenage girls about hair, skin, clothes and popularity.

Vogel, Roy. THE OTHER CITY. David White, 1969. Gr. 4+.

Photographs and commentaries by four teen-age boys who explored their community with cameras.

Weiner, Sandra. IT'S WINGS THAT MAKE BIRDS FLY; THE STORY OF A BOY. Pantheon, 1968. Gr. 5-8.

Photographs accompany a lengthy text in which a ten-year-old boy talks about himself, his family and his daily activities.

## THE WEST INDIES

### FICTION

Anderson, Lonzo. IZZARD. Scribner, 1973. Gr. 1-3.

The Virgin Island of St. John is the setting for a pleasant family story featuring Jamie and his pet lizzard.

Brown, Marcia. HENRY-FISHERMAN; A STORY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS. Scribner, 1949. Gr. 1-3.

After much anxious expectation, Henry was finally allowed to accompany Jonas on his fishing boat "Ariadne".

Coatsworth, Elizabeth. LONELY MARIA. Pantheon, 1960. Gr. 3-4.

A lonely little girl draws pictures in the sand which come alive to play with her.

Ness, Evaline. JOSEFINA FEBRUARY. Scribner, 1963. Gr. 1-4.

A young girl of Haiti searches for the owner of an orphaned burro with soft ears and wobbly legs, hoping all along that she will be able to keep him for herself.

Talbot, Toby. I AM MARIA. Cowles, 1969. Gr. 2-4.

Newly arrived in New York from the Dominican Republic, Maria was quite lonely until an elderly lady helped her to learn English.

Taylor, Theodore. THE CAY. Doubleday, 1969. Gr. 6-8.

Timothy, an elderly black seaman, and thirteen-year-old Phillip struggle to survive on a Caribbean cay after their ship has been torpedoed by a German submarine. Set in the early days of World War II.

### HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY AND BIOGRAPHY

Cartey, Wilfred. WEST INDIES, ISLANDS IN THE SUN. Nelson, 1967. Gr. 6-8.

The history, politics, education, religion, economics, arts and people are discussed for each island.

Heatter, Basil. KING IN HAITI; THE STORY OF HENRY CHRISTOPHE. Farrar, 1972. Gr. 5-8.

Driven by a strong desire to better his people, this former slave led the struggle against France for independence.

## FOLKLORE

Courlander, Harold. *PIECE OF FIRE, AND OTHER HAITIAN TALES*.  
Harcourt, 1964. Gr. 4-6.

Included are some stories about Uncle Bouki, the amusing  
hero of so many Haitian folk tales.

McDowell, R.E. and Lavitt, Edward, comps. *THIRD WORLD  
VOICES FOR CHILDREN*. Third Press, 1971. Gr. 5-8.

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Sherlock, P.M. *ANANSI, THE SPIDER MAN*. Crowell, 1954.  
Gr. 4-6.

Anansi could be man or spider, whichever suited his  
immediate purpose as he went about trying to live by his  
wits without doing any work.

Sherlock, P.M. *IGUANA'S TAIL; CRICK CRACK STORIES FROM  
THE CARIBBEAN*. Crowell, 1969. Gr. 3-4.

Each night on the journey to a new home, after a drought,  
one of the animals tells a tale which begins with "Crick  
crack".

Sherlock, P.M. *WEST INDIAN FOLKTALES*. Walck, 1966.  
Gr. 4-6.

There are a number of Anansi stories in this collection  
of tales, chiefly from Jamaica.



## AFRICA

### PICTURE BOOKS AND EASY READING

Feelings, Muriel. MOJA MEANS ONE; SWAHILI COUNTING BOOK. Dial, 1971.

Market stalls, animals, clothing, musical instruments and many other items, pictured in everyday scenes, are used to illustrate this counting book. For each object the numeral, the Swahili word and a descriptive sentence are given.

Forsberg, Vera. GENNET LIVES IN ETHIOPIA. Macmillan, 1968.

When Gennet's little brother is bitten by a snake she has to go by herself the long way to the village to find the doctor.

Riwkin-Brick, Anna. SIA LIVES ON KILIMANJARO; text by Astrid Lindgren. Macmillan, 1959.

A photographic essay about Sia who goes all by herself to the Chogga Feast at Mushi so that she might see the king.

Sutherland, Efua. PLAYTIME IN AFRICA. Atheneum, 1962.

A simple text accompanies photographs of children at play.

## FICTION

Booth, E.R. KALENA. McKay, 1958. Gr. 6-8.

An absorbing story of a girl from a tribal village who is sent to the city for her education.

Booth, E.R. KALENA AND SANA. McKay, 1962. Gr. 6-8.

While her husband, Sana, is gaining medical experience at the clinic, Kalena starts teaching her neighbors to read, and telling stories to children over the radio.

Childs, Fay. WACHEERA, CHILD OF AFRICA. Criterion, 1965. Gr. 5-6.

Tells of a family who lived in a village at the foot of Mt. Kenya. Wacheera's one desire is to go to school though her father is greatly opposed to it.

Clifford, M.L. BISHA OF BURUNDI. Crowell, 1973. Gr. 5-6.

Bisha must choose between accepting a scholarship for teacher training and her parents' choice of a husband.

Coatsworth, Elizabeth. PRINCESS AND THE LION. Pantheon, 1963. Gr. 5-7.

Disguised as a boy, an African princess of 200 years ago makes a dangerous journey alone in order to save her imprisoned brother.

Coatsworth, Elizabeth. RONNIE AND THE CHIEF'S SON. Macmillan, 1962. Gr. 4-6.

The son of a game reserve superintendent, kidnapped by a tribal chief in revenge for his own son's death, is befriended by the chief's second son, who helps him to escape.

Feelings, M.L. ZAMANI GOES TO MARKET. Seabury, 1970. Gr. 3-4.

A young East African boy makes his first trip to the market with his father and older brothers where he buys his mother a necklace.

Griffin, J.B. MAGIC MIRRORS. Coward, 1971. Gr. 3-4.

A modern fairy tale about a princess so beautiful and good that the sun and moon gave her magic mirrors to help destroy the evil powers of a jealous third step-mother and the Medicine Man.

Guillot, René. FOFANA. Criterion, 1962. Gr. 7-8.

The exciting adventures of Fofana, a boy of the Lobi tribe, and Jean-Luc, a French boy. Set in the Ivory Coast in an atmosphere of mystery and the supernatural.

Harman, Humphrey. AFRICAN SAMSON. Viking, 1966. Gr. 6-8.

A tale of battles and individual exploits, vital in action and embroidered with episodes of village life and the evocation of the plains and hills around Lake Victoria.

Mirsky, R.P. NOMUSA AND THE NEW MAGIC. Follett, 1962. Gr. 7-8.

Nomusa encounters many new and wonderful things when she leaves the home of her father, a Zulu chief, to attend nursing school.

Mirsky, R.P. SEVEN GRANDMOTHERS. Follett, 1962. Gr. 5-6.

The saving of her brother's life through modern medicine influences Nomusa's parents to let her study nursing.

Mirsky, R.P. THIRTY-ONE BROTHERS AND SISTERS. Follett, 1952. Gr. 5-6.

Nomusa, daughter of a Zulu chief, wants more than anything to go on an elephant hunt.

Mitchison, Naomi. FAMILY AT DITLABENG. Farrar, 1969.  
Gr. 5-6.

Set in Botswana, this tells what happened to one family as the result of a year of drought.

Nagenda, John. MUKASA. Macmillan, 1973. Gr. 4-6.

The experiences of a boy from a small African village when the opportunity to attend school changes his life. Set in the 1940's.

Schatz, Letta. BOLA AND THE OBA'S DRUMMERS. McGraw, 1967. Gr. 5-6.

Against his father's wishes Bola secretly learns to play the talking drums and becomes a member of the Oba's Royal Drummers.

Seed, Jenny. VENGEANCE OF THE ZULU KING. Pantheon, 1970. Gr. 7-8.

Though the young hero, Bongiseni, is fictitious, the events in this novel of early 19th century Natal are based on historical facts.

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